OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, March 29 (R). — Veteran Labour parliamentarian Yitzhak Navon appears almost certain to become Israel's next president following his the radical visident Ephraim Katzir does not wish to serve another when his present one expires on May 29, hand the Knesset must choose a successor before April 6. Dr. Yitzhak Chavet, a little-known nuclear scientist who that been proposed by Mr. Begin, withdrew yesterday state because De was or September. Mr. Navon is also from the state because be was of Sephardi (oriental Jewish) origin firm to be sand picked by the field the Sepherdi community.

An independent Arab political daily published by the Jordan Press Foundation جوردن تايمز يومية سياسية تصدر بالأنجليزية عن الؤسسة الصحفية الاردنية «الراي» Sadat gets letter from Carter

CAIRO, March 29 (AP). -- Egypt's ambassador to the United States, who brought messages from President Jimmy Carter and U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, met with President Anwar Sadat today. Egyptian officials said Contents of the messages carried by Ambassador Ashraf Gborbal were not released but they were believed to contain American proposals for resuming direct Israeb-Egyptian peace negotiations. U.S. Embassy officials refused to say if American Ambassador Hermann Eilts had delivered a letter from Israell Prime Minister Menachem Begin which reportedly urged President Sadat to agree to resuming negotiations. Meanwhile, Cairo newspapers gave prominent play to Israell reports that Defen-se Minister Ezer Weizman would arrive soon in Cairo.

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Kong Said RO, March 29 (AP) — Fo-the according ministers and representa-tion accordings of 16 Arab countries to-Protestory called for an immediate the backs open from the Horn of Africa is a peaceful set-peace and ment of the conflict there. intion has wife decision ended a three-byr its pitch decision ended a three-byr its pitch or conference during which into Nath it diplomats decided to entr-mormed by the based delegation wi-

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to send humaniwe are in an assistance to more than 100 refugees who fled Etha's Ogaden region to Soia and Difboutl in the wa-CRANELDO of fighting there. Soviet and crane troops backed the Ethiopians against secessionist et-hnic Somali tribes supported by

Somall forces. Riad said the conference pledged unspecified financial assistance to Somalia and indicated the Somalis could use it to buy military aquipment to defend themselves against possible attacks from the Soviet and Cuban-backed Ethiopians,

Several Arab countries have been displeased with Somalia's direct military involvement in the Ogaden but conference sources said the envoya offered the belp now because Somalia had agreed to withdraw from the disputed region.

Meanwhile the Somali government has reaffirmed its support for its "brethren" in Eth-iopia's war-torn Ogaden desert province and called for a neutral peacekeeping force in the region to end what it called "genocide" being committed by the Ethlopian army.

In a statement issued by the Somali news agency Sonna in Mogadishu last oight, a Foreign Ministry spokesman demanded the withdrawal of all foreign troops supporting Ethiopia.

The spokesman said that only negotiations conducted through the auspices of the 49-nation Organisation of African Unity (OAU) aimed at the independence of the Ogaden, a reglon inhabited by ethnic Soma-lis and which Somalia claims, could preveot furter bloodsbed.



Israeij Premier Menachem Begin opens a Foreign Policy debate in the Knesset in Occupied Jerusalem on Wednesday. (AP wirepboto)

Guerrillas continue attacks in S. Lebanon

BEIRUT, March 29 (R). — Palestinian commandos said they blasted targets in northern Israel today with heavy artillery and rockets in defiance of an Israeli warning of retaliatioo.

A military communique issued by the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) said "our heavy artillery and rocket units this morning shelled the Abi Al Qamb

Abl Al Qamh is about 1.5 kms, south of Metuliah, Israel's northernmost town. The communique did not say

how long the bombardment la-sted and made no mention of casualties. Near Tyre, Palestinian commandos prevented French paratroopers from taking up positi-

ons on a strategic bridge. A spokesman for the French U.N. detachment said meetings would be held to overcome difficuties preventing the for-ce from taking up positions. He did not elaborate on the nature of the difficulties,

The coastal road bridge is the only one of the three bridges across the Litani still un-der full Palestinian control. The road is a vital supply line for commandos in Tyre and the Palestinian camp of Rashidiyeb ju-

st south of the port. The reported attack on Abi Al Qamh was made less than a day after a meeting in Beirut eo Palestine Liberatioo Organisation leader Yasser Arafat and Gen, Emmanuel Erskine, the Ghanaian commander of the U.N. force.

Mr. Arafat told reporters afterwards that the PLO would facilitate the mission of the U.N. force, a remark which contrasted with a statement by U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim. He said in New York that the PLO leader had accepted a call for a ceasefire in southero Lebanon.

Fighters in the shell-scarred south told Reuter correspond-ent Gavin Bell today that they had received orders to stop firing from fixed positions -- but to stop hit-and-run raids behind Israeli lines in the occupied south,

Bell reported that he saw at Beaufort castle today. They had apparently replaced figh-ters of Fatch, the biggest Palestinian commando group, who were in position at the castle last week.

According to reliable right-wing sources, at least 450 Ira-qi troops have joined Palestin-ian commandos in southern Lebanon since Israel sent a 25,000strong invasion army across the

border with Lebanon In Beirut, the National Mo-vement of Lebanese Leftist parties voiced opposition to the deployment of U.N. troops in Lebanon and urged the government to adopt "national mobilisation measures against the (Israeli) enemy."

Begin's unyielding Knesset support in

JERUSALEM, March 29 (R). — Israeli premier Menachem Begin today won approval from the Knesset (parliament) for his refusal to soften his Middle East peace plan despite international pressure. Although he was heckled by the opposition as he reported on the outcome of his chilly talks in Washington last week with President Carter, the Knesset backed his stance by 64 votes to 32 with nine abstentions.

He said he was convinced

the great friendship between Israel and the U.S., would overcome their differences.

Mr. Begin's report on his Washington talks, which he de-

scribed at the time as the tou-

ghest ever, lasted about 25 mi-

nutes. Although billed as a ma-

jor policy speech, it broke no

made by the United States and

other industrialised nations to

developing countries which had

profound social and economic

After his speech, Carter set

Following Wednesday's talks

Carter, bis wife Rosalynn, ten-year-old daughter Amy and top

U.S. officials including National

Security Adviser Zbigniew Br-

zezinski and Secretary of State

Cyrus Vance, left for a four-hour flight to the Brazillan ca-

Editorial comment:

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viewed white-uniformed Venez-

uelan naval cadets and walked

arm in arm for a few steps be-fore Carter boarded air force

one. He made no departure re-

marks. Cannons boomed a 21-

gun salute as the engines re-

vved up.
The 22-hour stopover was

Carter's first state visit to La-

Carter and Perez briefly re-

aside time for more talks with

President Perez.

pital of Brasilia.

tin America.

new ground,

Mr. Begin repeated that there would be no change in Israali proposals for the West Bank or Jewish settlements in occupied Arab territory.

Israeli radio said today that Defence Minister Ezer Weiz-man would leave for Cairo tomorrow for talks with Egyptian leaders.

Mr. Begin accused the U.S. administration of changing its mind about the Israeli peace plan after it was rejected by

Egypt.

The U.S. now wanted a referendum to be held in the laraeli occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip in five years time to decide their future. The idea was unacceptable,

Mr. Begin said, "because it would inevitably lead to that which the United States itself does not want -- that is, the establishment of a Palestinian sta-

"It must be remembered that the pressure and the threat and the terror of that same murderous organisation (the Palestioe Liberation Organisation) still

CARACAS, March 29 (Agencies

- President Carter today call-

ed on rich and poor countries

to stop blaming each other for

world economic disruption and

improve cooperation to make

the world a better place to live

In an address to Venezuela's

National Congress, the president said industrialised countries

would have to provide long-

term capital and reduce tra-

de barriers, while developing oations must stop recalling pa-st injustices and embark on re-

sponsible participation in creat-

we expand trade and investme-

nt in order to create more jo-

bs, curb inflation, and raise the standard of living," be said

bers of the organisation of Pe-

troleum Exporting Countries

(OPEC) had a responsibility to

use their surplus wealth to me-et the needs of the world's peo-

The president said all mem-

in his prepared remarks.

"Only by acting together can

ing a new world order.

Despite his opposition to

even limited referendum, Mr. bours; opposition to a Pales-Begin said be had proposed tinian state on the West Bank that Palestinians on the West and the Gaza strip as a threat to Israel and "the free world"; Bank and in Gaza should partiand opposition to the "murd-erous PLO" taking part io cipate in the determination of their future. But ha did not peace negotiations.

elaborate. Mr. Begin said he had rejected the U.S. view that Jewish settlement of occupied Arab territory was illegal and an obstacle to peace.

But there was agreement with the U.S. on three points:

A settlement should lead to peace treaties with normal dito matic and other ties betwion, Israel and its Arab neigh-

New Jewish group demands compensation for Arab Jews

We must all strive to redu-

ce existing barriers to trade,

both tariffs and other measu-

res, while giving special consi-

deration and benefits to the

Mr. Carter said he was pro-

posing the creation of a U.S. foundation for technical colla-

boration to assist developing

The U.S. president linked ec-

"The human rights in which

we believe so deeply include

not only the right to be free, but also the right to a fair ch-ance for a decent life."

to oppose intervention in the internal affairs of other coun-tries, an issue he mentioned

when Venezuelan President Ca-

rlos Andres Perez called his

attention yesterday to alleged human rights violations in Nica-

He also said there must be a

reversal in the massive and ex-

cessive weapons' sales being

Mr. Carter spoke of the need

onomic progress with his ca-mpaign for human rights, sa-ying that poverty offended the

conscience of mankind.

developing nations."

countries

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM. March 29 (R). - A new Jewish group has demanded compensation for more than 1.5 million Jewish refugees from Arab countries who, it said, abandoned property worth millions of dollars. Mr. Mordechal Porat, a member of the Knesset (parliament) and a spokesman for the newly founded World Orga-

nisation of Jews from Arab Countries, said the organisation de-manded recognition of their claims for compensation under U.N. Security Council resolution 242, which lays down the guidelines

ween our peace plan and any resolution whatsoever of the Security Council." **Swedish** peacekeeper Stop recriminations and cooperate,

Hecklers in the house accu-

sed Mr. Begin of withholding

bis interpretation of a key

United Nations security council

resolution until the Knesset

had approved his peace plan. Resolution 242 calls for Is-raeli withdrawal from occupied

Arab territories. But Mr. Begin

bas repeatedly indicated recen-

tly that he does not think it

Replying to the hecklers, Mr.

Begin said: "In our peace plan

we declared explicitly that our people have a claim and a

right for sovereignty over Ju-

Bank) and Gaza.

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"We propose leaving the .:s-

sue of sovereignty open for the

sake of a settlement. Therefore

there is no contradiction bet-

applies to the West Bank.

killed JERUSALEM, March 29 (AP). - A member of the Swedish contingent of the U.N. peacekeeping force in Lebanon was kil-

beadquarters said. A spokesman said details were not available on the first casualties suffered by U.N. peacekeepers who have moved into southern Lebanon to pacify

led Wednesday and another in-

jured in a mine explosion, U.N.

the area invaded by Israel March 14. According to Israel radio. the mine explosion occurred near a bridge over the Litanl

Austria holds back

VIENNA, March 29 (R). Austria is delaying a decision on assigning troops to the U.N. peacekeeping force in Lebanon because there is still no binding cease-fire in the area, Chancellar Bruno Kreisky said to-

Dr. Kreisky rejected Vienna newspaper reports that his re-lations with U.N. Secretary General Kurı Waldheim, also an Austrian, had soured because of Austria's delay in responding to a U.N. request for peacekeeping troops.

end of Rejection Front

World News

Roundup...

29 die in rebel ambush in the Philippines

t few days, the defence department said today. The attacks ow amountements of surronders to the government by Moro floral Liberation Front (MNLF) rebels, including some 2,000 in area of the worst ambush yesterday -- Lanso Del Sur, 900 from Manila.

Cairo M.P. expelled for insulting Sadat

IRO, March 29 (AP). — An opposition member of Egypt's par-

nent was expelled yesterday for attacking President Anwar lat during a debate on prices, the Middle East News Agency orted, 279 members of the ruling Centre Party, voted for the

vision, while 19, mostly independents, voted against and all 24 members of the main opposition party, the New Wafd,

hdrew in protest. Sheikh Nasr, a Wafdist, shouted "Down with

MILA, March 29 (R). - Moslem rebels killed 27 troops and

civilians in ambushes in the southern Philippines during the

IRO, March 29 (R). - A ding Egyptian newspaper.to-rsaid a call by Libyan leader ammar Qadhafi to unite the 1141- Wign that the hardline front osed to President Anwar lat was collapsing.

ol Qadhafi said in Tobruk terday he was ready to send van armed forces to meet Egyptian commander for

purpose.

Wr. Ali Hamdi Gamal, ediof the semi-official newspa-Al Ahram, said the propo-

sal meant the collapse of the "Rejectionist Front" comprising Syria, Algeria, the Libyan Jamahiriyah, South Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organisation which opposed Mr. Sadat's peace overtures to Israel.

"The placing of the Libyan armed forces under Egypt's command means that those forces have detached themselves from the Rejectionist Front." Mr. Gamal said.

It also meant the front had lost the financial backing of Libya, the main object of the front's first meeting in Tripoli last December, he added.

Rhodesian army routs infiltrators black

SALISBURY, Rhodesia, March 29 (Agencies) Rhodesian soldiers routed a 100-man guerrilla force that infiltrated the country's eastern frontier from Mozambique in the last week, It was reported today.

Troops combed the rain-dren-ched, wooded Burma Valley ab-out 32 kilometers south of the eastern garrison town of Umtali for remnants of the group today, a military command spokesman said

The guerrillas of Robert Mugabe's China-backed Mozambique-based Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU) infiltrated the 800 mile frontier more than a week ago,

A newspaper report said bundles of newly printed leaflets denouncing the agreement reached March 3 between the wh-Ite minority government and three local black leaders were abandoned by the guerrillas as they fled from their camp in Burma Valley.

Rhodesian Foreign Minister Pieter Van der Byl said today he did not believe there was a mass movement of guerrillas into the territory and that he did not accept the moursion would heve any effect against the

settlement agreements. Three Rhodesia-based nationalist leaders -- Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole and Chief Jeremiah Chirau, -- were sworn into office last week as equal mem-bers of Rhodesia's Supreme Executive Council with white Premier Ian Smith.

They will form the top tier of the transitional administration which is designed to guide the country to one-man, vote elections and black maj-

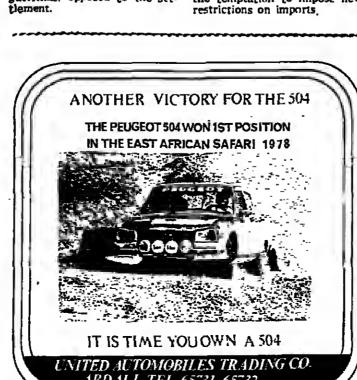
ority rule by Dec. 31. The four coalition leaders will meet today to decide on the make-up of the second level ministerial council, which will be half white and half black. Each of the black parties was expected to have three minis-ters, each paired with a white. In Dar Es Salaam meanwhile Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca Peoli yesterday started a three-day Tanzanian visit which is expected to include talks on Cuban military assistance to Rhodesian nationalist guerrillas, opposed to the set-

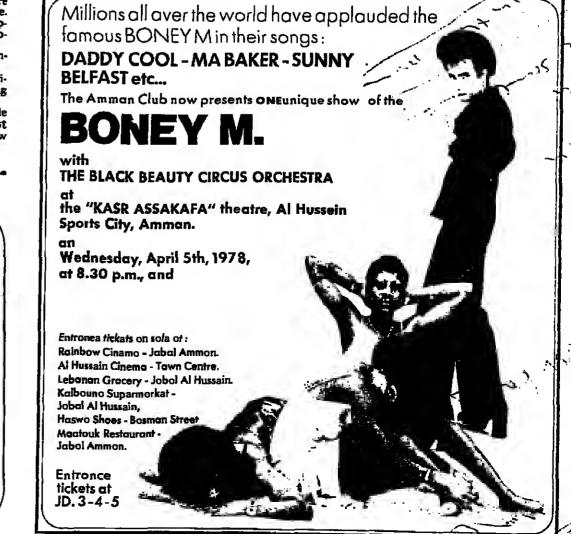
Mr. Carter proposed the following five steps to ensure strong growth in industrialised and developing nations alike: - - Increase capital flows to developing countries.

-- Build a fairer and more open system of world trade. -- Work to moderate disruptive price movement in the world economy.

- Cooperate on energy conservation and development. - - Strengthen the technological capabilities of developing

Calling for more open trade Mr. Carter said we must resist the temptation to impose new





iat", when he was barred from using his speaking right during debate. Pakistan extends political ban AMABAD, Pakistan, March 29 (AP). — Pakistan's military go-ament extended its ban on political activities for an indefinite fod today. The ban originally was imposed for one month from rch I to counter expected profests against the death sentence deposed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. Protests against

atto's sentence have not been as great as expected by the remment, although Rhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party tried for eks to mount a big confrontation with the military government. Gen. Mohammad Zia UI Haq.

PLO appeals to the Red Cross NEVA, March 28 (AP). - The Palestine Liberation Organisation it night appealed to the International Red Cross Committee to Israel to tree two Palestinian journalists allegedly taken pri-11er in south Lebenon. The two men are Abdul Hafez Af Asmar it Ibrahim Mustafa Nasser, members of the Palestine News Agazy WAFA, the appeal signed by PLO representative in Geneva and Barakat said.

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Pecksniffery by any other name

We're quite impressed by many of the qualities that President Jimmy Carter of the United States has demonstrated during his first year in office, but none of his positive qualities can make up for his glaring inability to fit the anomaly of Israel Into his otherwise compassionate vision of a world dominated by fairness. This week, the President of the United States is taking his goodness and sweetness show on the road again, exhorting the natives of Venezuela, Brazil, Nigeria and Liberia to join hands with the people of the United States "to deal in a constructive and creative way with the diversity of the world in which we live," as Mr. Carter himself put it before leaving Washington.

But how does Mr. Carter expect anybody to take his words seriously, when simultaneously with his calls to join hands for a better world, American weapons and massive economic aid are locked in a tight handclasp with Israel in occupying the lands of four Arab states, making mincemeat and mockery of the accepted international principles of selfdetermination in Palestine, and working totally against the Middle East people's aspirations for economic well-being by maintaining an Israel-dominated war situation that forces all the states in the region to spend about one-fourth of their budgets on defence? Is the Jimmy Carter who speaks so eloquently in Venezuela about a better world for all the same Jimmy Carter who sells Israel F-15 fighter jets to bomb Palestinian children in refugee camps in Lebanon? Or do we have a chameleon president at work here, who takes on one colour in Venezuela and another colour in Palestine? Frankly, we're confused. How can the United States say it wants all people to be free, when it gives Israel cluster bombs and napalm, and the jet fighters to use them with, for use against its Arab neighbours on all four sides? Do we believe what America says or what it does? What it says is lovely. What it does is grue-some. The gap between the two is known as hypocrisy, or, as H. L. Mencken would have put it, pecksniffery. Whatever it's called, it's not the kind of thing that Americans should be proud of in their president.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Under the heading "A New Warning" AL DUSTOUR said Wednesday that the Israeli air manoeuvres over the Tabuk area io northern Saudi Arabia is a significant incident which concerns the A-ab cause and Arab security as a whole, with a special bearing on the oil producing countries.

What happened simply means that Israel has added Saudi Arabia to the list of Arab confrontation states, the newspaper says. The Israeli aircraft manoeuvres over Tabuk canoot but be advance training... Thus the imaginery classification of Arab countries into confrontation and supporting states does not stand any more from the Israeli point of view. The new development merits to awaken the Arabs from the delusion of the traditional classification they devised for the duties of their respective countries -- an assignement which exists only in their Imagination, the news-

Urging all Arabs to form one strong "confrontation wall" in these days when long distances have been drastically abridged, Al Dustour says Arah oil wealth which did not as yet play its proper role in building up Arab power, is enviously coveted by Israel which hopes some day to become a principal oil exporter.

National News Roundup

Irbid library receives more books

AMMAN, March 29 (JNA). - The Director of the Public Security Department Maj. Gen. Ghazi 'Arabiyat today presented a number of books to the Municipal Library of Irbid. He told a group of the Friends of the Library Committee who visited him at his office today that the department will be willing to give further aid to the Irbid Library to transform it into a national cultural

Economic and **Business News**

Draft agreement between ILO and training institute discussed

AMMAN, March 29 (JNA). - The Technical Training Institute board in its meeting here today discussed a proposed draft agreement between the Ministry of Education and the institution on one hand and the International Labour Organisation (ILO) on the other. Under the proposed agreement the ILO will contribute \$314,500 to cover the expenses of foreign experts coming to Jordan and scholarships for Jordanian students both at home and abroad. Jordan will provide counterparts of these experts along with the necessary technical and administrative services. An expert from the ILO will come here early next year to assess the work of the Technical Training Institution, and advise on programmes and agreements which the institution will conclude with organisations in the field of industrial apprenticeships and other training courses. The accord also includes training the teachers of these apprenticeship courses.

Cabinet approves two financial schemes

AMMAN, March 29 (JNA). — The Cabinet today approved a \$14m. loan by the International Development Agency to the Water and Sewerage Authority. The loan will finance the third phase of the Amman water and sewerage project. The Cabinet also agreed to Jordan acquiring an equity in the Arab Fisheries Co. The Jeddahbased company was created upon a decision by the Arab Economic Council at a recent meeting in Tunis. It has a capital of £10,000,000.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Spring Exhibition

An exhibition of works by Jordanian artist Ali Ghoul is on show dally until Saturday. The exhibition is on display at the Palace of Culture, Hussein Youth City.

Children's Film

"The Tales of Beatrix Potter" will be showing tonight at 6:30 and Friday morning at 10:30, at the British Council. Reserve your tickets all day before today's performance. Entry on Friday is

Violin Recital A recttal by Jordanian violinist, Habib Kayaleh, accompanied

at the Palace of Culture.

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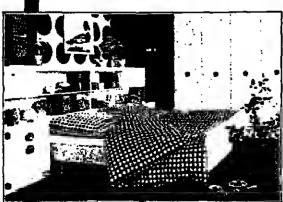
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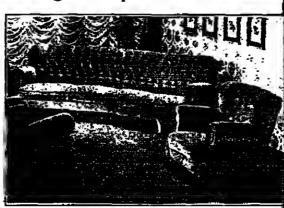
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Ramtha-Mafraq meet recommends law amendments

MAFRAQ, March 29 (JNA). — The Ramtha and Mafraq Municipalities symposium in its final session here today recommended a review of articles of the presently effective towns and villages organisational law with the aim of keeping in pace with contemporary developments. The symposium also recommended an amendment to the municipal councils' electoral regulation so that half of the council members would be appointed by election and the other half by the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs. The mayor would be appointed from among councillors on the recommendation of the minister. The symposium further suggested reviewing the status of, and regulations for municipal employees. Another recommendation proposed that government land registered in the name of the treasury be commissioned for the municipalities for purposes of building public utility projects. The two-day symposium was chaired by the Assistant Governor of Irbid, Izzeddine Al Gharaybeb and was attended, by mayors, district governors and department chiefs in the Ramtha and Mafrag areas.

New York and Amman P.R. firms link up

NEW YORK. — Hank Boemer and Associates. New York-based public relations consultants, today announced a new affiliation. with a public relations and marketing agency in Amman Middle East Communicators. The two companies will jointly service clients with United States and Middle East business interests. Middle East Communicators is owned by Mrs. Roxann

Bonsr, a Jordanian citizen, and headed by John Bonar, a Bri tisher who has worked for international news agencies, daily newspapers, magazines and broadcast networks.

Hank Boerner and Associates is a New York-based public

relations and marketing communications agency Which services clients with Middle East business interests including Alia, The Royal Jordanian Airline.

The two companies will provide U.S.-based clients with on-the-scene communications services in all of the Arab States and Iran, with Hank Boerner & Associates serving as the North American contact and service arm while Middle East Commun cators carries out media contact, placement of feature articles direct mail and other communications activities from the Jordan office. Similarly, clients based in the Near and Middle East will utilise the Boerner offices for North American services needed in North America.

Tempers flare up at Esmail's trial

TEL AVIV, March 28 (AP). -Tempers flared in an Israeli courtroom, set off by conflicting ideologies of defence and prosecution attorneys as the trial of Palestinian student Sami Esmail charged with guerrilla activities continued loday.

The clash came during a recess when American-born Esmail, 24, complained to reporters of overcrowding in his prison. He said 10 men were sharing six beds in his cell.

His Attorney, Felicia Langer broke in saying "Israeli authorities admit that Sami's prisoo is one of the most overcrowded in the country."

At one point Prosecution Advocate Sara Sirott, angered by Mrs. Langer's remarks exclaimed: "The manner in which you are impertinent to the judges would get you in jail in America and certainly in the Soviet Union. You use every pretext to do battle against the state of Israel,"

Mrs. Langer is a member of the Moscow-aligned Communist Party of Israel, and ofteo defends Pro-Palestinian security suspects

> ISRAEL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Esmail did not interfere in the angry exchange between the two women. The Michigan State University student sat in the dock lunching oo cheese sandwiches and orange juice,

The court then went into session to hear closing arguments on whether the coofession Esmail allegedly made after his arrest was admissible. Prosecutor Sara Sirotta contended that Esmail's interr-

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ogators, in testimony to the court, had convincingly rebutt-ed charges that he was kicked, beaten and psychologically pressured into signing a confess-

"One can clearly see that these are not men of violence," she said. She charged that Esmail "made up the story" about being shown FBI documents attesting to his guilt, and noted that within four days of his Dec. 21 arrest he was visited by the U.S. consul, "so it is not true that he was kidnapped and hidden away, as he claims,"

Mr. Esmail was arrested when he came to visit his dying father, and was put on trial under a cootroversial law empowering the Israeli judiciary to handle security offenses committed abroad by non-Israelis.

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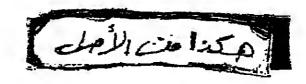
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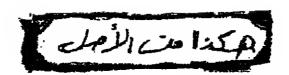
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Saudi Arabia assures U.S. it Saudi Arabia forces link will keep dollar as only unit postponement of OPEC for international transactions meet to avoid clash

WASHINGTON, March 29 (R). - Saudi Arabia has given the U.S. dollar a strong vote of confidence by assuring the United States it will keep the currency as its only unit of payment in international transactions. The public support for the dollar, which has been declining steadily in international markets in recent months, came in a statement issued yesterday by the Saudi Embassy.

ke US-based (in all of the k The statement quoted Crown Prince Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz Saudi Arabia's First Deputy Prime Minister, as expressing confidence the dollar would re-

Comment of la course. "Shifting to an alternative currency would harm the in-terest of Saudi Arabia," the mbassy quoted the crown pri-

"Others may have their views on this matter, but the kingdom's stand is firm," it

Carter administration officials felt the Saudi statement reflected what they viewed as a growing feeling that the dollar's difficulties were temporary.

The statement followed pub-

lished reports here that King Khaled had warned President Certer his country might not be able to hold down oil prices within the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) if the dollar declined

A White House spokesman spective declined to comment on the reported message from King Khaled to President Carter and referred reporters to a statement last Friday by Secretary

the 1 of State Cyrus Vance. Mr. Vance, speaking at a arking is to press conference, said: "The Saudis have never indicated to was us that they would link prog-

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ress or lack of progress in wed how seriously Saudi Arathese areas to oil prices.
"They have indicated, quite to the contrary, that they will make their independent judgments on these issues." Administration officials also

said the Saudi statement sho-

bia viewed its increased impor-

tance in the international monetary system. This was reinforced by the fact that the International Monetary Fund (IMF) is expec-

ted to include the riyal, Saudi

Arabia's currency among those (SDR's), they added. nal accounting unit used in

it uses to calculate the value special drawing rights The SDR is the IMF's inter-

government-to-government tra-

Dollar takes biggest plunge ever on Japanese exchange

TOKYO, March 29 (R). - The U.S. dollar phunged more steeply than ever on the Tokyo Foreign Exchange Market today and registered a new postwar low point for the fourth

trading day in a row. The dollar dipped to 220.7 yen but rallied to 221.60 at the close after a flurry of last minute trading. It had opened at 224 compared with last night's close of 225.02.

Dealers said the Bank of Japan, which yesterday bought an estimated \$800 million to stem the fall, bought a small amount of dollars in early trading but did not intervena further.

Many dealers said they could not remember such a spectacular dollar fall against the yen in Tokyo in one day, Earlier this month the dollar commanded 235 yea. It fetched 240 at the end of Decem-

The U.S. currency opened far beneath last night's close following an overnight decline

abroad. It fell further under sustained dollar selling nressure from foreign banks to buy yen and the absence of intervention by the Bank of Japan, dealers said.

that the country's monetary authorities might withold major intervention until the rate But the Finance Ministry, commenting on the report, sald Japan had not changed its policy of intervening in the Tokyo market

The Japanese news agency Jill reported

only to fron out erratic fluctuations. The Bank of Japan is estimated to hava bought nearly \$5 billion this month. This is than the previous monthly record of about \$4.5 billion in August, 1971, when then President Richard Nixon suspended the dol-

lar's convertibility into gold. Dealers expect tha yen to continue its rise against the dollar until basic causes for the dollar's fall -- including Japan's huge trade surplus with the United States -- are cor-

BAHRAIN, March 29 (R). -Saudi Arabia forced the postponement of an oil-exporters' meeting due to he held in Geneva next week to avoid a clash over the declining dollar, informed oil sources said

Oil ministers of Organisa tion of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) yesterday announced that the informal me-eting scheduled for April 3 had been postponed by a month, A spokesman said only that the ministers needed more time to study the issues involved.

The meeting was supposed to discuss general policy issues which had been crowded out by talks on prices at regular half-yearly OPEC conferences.

Revenue drop

However these questions were expected to be overshadowed by concern at the continued drop in revenues of OPEC me-mber states, which fix oil prices in dollars due to the slide in the U.S. currency's value. OPEC Secretary General Ali Jaidah said earlier this month the dollar decline represented a total loss to the 13 OPEC me-

mber states of about \$14 billion a year. The sources said the Saudis appeared to be hoping that the dollar would recover sufficiently by the beginning of May to

justify shelving the issue. Otherwise they would probably try to put off discussion until the regular OPEC conference, which would then be only one month away, the so-Saudi Arabia has consistently opposed artempts to increa-se oil prices to compensate for the dollar's fall

It feels that a readjustment of the dollar price in terms of a basket of currencies as proposed by some OPEC states would in fact increase prices for some consumers, including the United States and those with weak currencies.

Saudi Arabia also argues that a price increase would be counter-productive when there is a glut in the oil market and many OPEC states have reported a fall in exports.

Favouring compensation

Venezuela, Iraq and Kuwait among major exporters have said they would like to see the dollar price increased to compensate for the exchange

Even the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Saudi Arabia's closest ally within OPEC, has proposed that the dollar price should be regularly adjusted in terms of a basket of curren-

But Iran, OPEC's second largest producer after Saudi Arabia, has not so far expressed an opinion in public beyond saying that the dollar decline was a cause of concern.

Iran, a former oil price ha wk, sided with Saudi Arabia at an OPEC conference in Caracas last December which in effect kept prices frozen at their previous levels.

The Shah of Iran has said that he believes oil prices should not rise but he has not said whether his country would support an exchange adjust-

People in the News

Original cast to play in new Star Trek film

LOS ANGELES (AP). - Movie makers have reached an agreement for filming the internationally popular television series Star Trek, says the president of one of America's largest studios. The original cast of the Star Trek series -- including Leonard Nimoy as the Vulcan, Mr. Spock -- has been as-sembled for the motion picture. A former Miss India has been added to the cast studio officials said. The television series, shown in SI countries and on 160 American stations, may have the most loyal audience in the history of the industry, if not the

Songwriter Gilmore dies of gunshot wound

DECATUR, Georgia (AP). - The co-author of a million elling record has been found dead of a gunshot wound, police said yesterday Bill Gilmore, 38, whose song, Cherry Hill Ark, was a hit in the early 1970's, was found on the floor of his suburban Atlanta home Sunday night, police spokesman Chuck Johnson said, Police said Gilmore apparently shot himself.

Psychic woman helps find murder victims

NEWARK, New Jersey (AP). - Dorothy Allison says her psychic powers led her to the grave of a missing teen-ager and provided clues to the body of another teen-ager. The 53 yearold suburban New Jersey housewife says she led officers to a shallow grave where the body of 17-year-old Ronald Stica, an apparent stabbing victim, was found yesterday. Last week, Mrs. Allison told police in the New York city borough of Staten Island that the body of 14-year-old Susan Jacobson would be found in a marshy area, in sight of two bridges and an abandoned car, and near the letters M. A and R. The girl's skeleton was found Saturday by her family and friends in a 55-gallon oil drum at the bottom of a 12-foot, shaft in Staten Island Shipyard, in an area that fit the psychic's description. About 200 feet from the shaft, high on a rock, were the red-painted letters MAR, Mrs. Allison, says she has worked with police for 10 years and has located 20 bodies.

Music idol's voice revives unconscious girl

LONDON (AP). - Michelle Booth, a 15-year-old schoolgirl who has lain in a coma since she was thrown from a speeding train by an attacker 11 days ago, opened her eyes yesterday after hearing ber idol, country music star Roy Orbison, tell her to get well in a tape-recorded message. Mr. Orbison sent the cassette by plane from his home in Nashville, Tennessee, after Michelle's family said it might help bring ber out of her coma.

In proposals submitted by Jordanian representative

—Group of 77 recommends greater cooperation among nations as solution to developing world's brain drain problem

Editor's note: The following is the full text of draft to whereby the developing countries share in the economic gains accruing to developed to the United Nations Conference on Trade and to the United Natio Development Feb. 27, 1978 on behalf of the members of L 01,15 the Group of 77.

I. Introduction

l Having considered the S Mine UNCTAD Secretariat, and having examined the issues in depth, keeping particularly in view resolutions 87 adopted by the Conference in Nairobi and 32/192 adopted by tha General Assembly at its Thirty-second session (December, 1977), the group underlines

> (a) the subject of "reverse Fransfer of technology" (brain ... drain) is not a new ooe and has been under discussion for everal years; this process itself has led to a number of tudies being prepared by NCTAD, other international arganisations and outside sosirces, all of which provide an ndequate basis for assessing he magnitude, composition, auses and effects of this outlow of trained personnel fr-

(b) while there is always from for further diagnostic vork, this should not one ed action by the international ommunity at the national, reional and international level. s called for repeatedly by vaious resolutions adopted by he United Nations and spe-ialised agencies; (c) the magnitude of skilled

ligration from the developing o developed countries is sigficant and within certain skof categories, such as doctors, ngineers, etc., quite substanial; diff, (d) the emigration of skilled

is an of skilled transill represents a transit is evident need to us in international resource ow accounting. The gains retween the recipient and sorce countries should thereore be shared on the basis reciprocity;

(e) the problem of skilled ugration is a multi-faceted ne encompassing political, scial, economic and developdental issues. Several organi-tions in the United Nations are tackling the issues, ective, within its field of impetence. The group of goat UNCTAD is particularly nited to deal with the scoomic and developmental as-(chnology. This bas already to necessary information:

been adequately recognised in the Report of the ACC Sub-Committee on Education and Training which states: "There was agreement that in the elaboration of approaches and policies in certain specific areas, such as compensation schemes, cooperation among the developing countries..., UNC-TAD would be well placed, within its field of competence, to act as the lead agency;" (f) a set of comprehensive measures are necessary, to tackle the problem of skilled migration and mitigate its adverse effects, at the: (1) National level; (2) regional level; and (3) international level, and to this and the UNCTAD Secretariat should undertake studies with particular referen-

II. Action at the national level

importing countries.

ce to the policies of individ-

ual skill exporting and skill

A. Action by the developed countries

2. The group urges the developed countries: strengthen measures designed to encourage the absorption of trained personnel within the developing countries and to support the activities of the international organisations aimed at finding ac-lutions to this problem without prejudice to existing inter-

national agreements: (b) to examine and remove institutional rigidities which hamper international labour mobility, particularly 'return' migration by, inter alia, making it possible for migrants to transfer, or encash freely the unutilised fraction of their pensinn rights and social security contributions at the time of their return home; (c) to remove any upper

limits, where they exist, on remittances that migrants may make to their country of origin and further facilitate the transfer of such remittan-

(d) to render assistance, either on a bilateral or multilateral basis, to developing countries which exercise or wish to exercise their internationally recognised jurisdiction to tax their citizens abroad under a "global" tax system; such assistance could take the form either of "tax collection assistance" and/or of access countries from skilled migration, by means of revenue-sharing arrangements;
(f) to assist in the building

up of better data on skilled migration by systematising the collection and dissemination of data on developing country migrants; and (g) to set up and to support funds which encourage research and training activities on an untied basis, in developing country institutions and encourage greater use of skil-led migrants of developing country origin in projects in-

tries in developing countries. B. Action by the developing countries

anced by the developed coun-

3. The group urges the developing countries to monitor the changing characteristics of the brain drain problem and to take appropriate remedial measures to mitigate the adverse consequences associated with the phenomenon. Against this background the group urges the developing

(a) to take appropriate measures to absorb the skilled manpower, to the maximum extent possible, in their national economies:

(b) to adopt policy measures for improving the working environment, both material and qualitative, for their skilled manpower: (c) to adopt and/or improve

measures which would induce

their skilled migrants to re-

turn to their country of origin and to facilitate a better utilisation of their skills; and (d) to take steps to "indigenise" their professional education and training system, with two broad objectives: That of promoting the country'a professional and technical self-reliance through tha absorption of profassionally higher and more advanced levels of knowledge and that of adapting curricula more

lopment needs. 4. The group urges the developing countries to give attention to the modalities for promoting collective self-reliance among themselves with a view to using and developing their human resources on the basis of mutual advantage within the broader framework of cooperation in the fields of trade, technology and capital.

closely to the country's deve-

III. Cooperation among

developing countries 5. The flow of skilled personnel from one developing country to another, represencooperative exchange of skills among the developing countries themselves.

6. The group welcomes the growing flow of skilled personnel among developing countries and urges that this exchange should continue to be on more favourable terms and conditions than those ge-nerally offered by developed countries.

7. The group recommends that an in-depth examination should be undertaken in this field in order to translate the idea of cooperative skill exchange among developing countries into concrete proposa-ls. Towards this end the UN-CTAD Secretariat should undertake detailed studies ana-

(a) the main conceptual and empirical basis for extending skill-exchange among developing countries at the inter-regional, regional or sub-regional level: (b) the mechanisms through

which such flows take place; possible constraints that hamper greater inter-developing country cooperation; and the terms and conditions governing such cooperation; and (c) the feasibility of various proposals identified in the UNCTAD document entitled Policies for Collective Self-re-

liance in Skilled Manpower, such as information sharing arrangements, establishment of skilled manpower pools, data banks, joint consultancy agencies and joint technical assistance programmes.

IV. Action at the International level

8. The group stresses the Importance of international cooperation between the developing and developed countries for evolving a set of international policy measures, as stressed in various United Nations resolutions, and more particularly resolution 32/192 adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its thirty-second session, in December, 1977.

A. Examination of revenue sharing proposals

9. The group requests the secretary-general of UNCTAD to continue examination of the feasibility of various revenue sharing proposals. 10. The group further notes that the rationale for revenue sharing arrangements rests on the following considerations: (f) where developing count-

ries incur disruption and eco-

nomic difficulties in their eco-

manpower with greater ease. (ii) where developing countries do not incur any measurable disruption and their comparative advantage is in

skill production to export skills abroad, they can legitimately improve their economic returns from such migration through revenue sharing arrangements which might reflect the cost of producing the skills; and

(iii) in so far as there is a prima facie case for deducing that the developed countries benefit from the inflow of skilled migrants, as noted in their official pronouncements, as implied by the occasional variations in the level and composition of their immigration quotas to reflect domestic labour conditions and as suggested by the fact that the taxes paid by the skilled migrants in devaloped countries with progressive income tax systems are likely to be redistributing income away from these migrants rather than towards them, such benefits to the developed countries may legitimately be shared tbrough income-tax-revenue sharing arrangements with the developing countries from which these skilled migrants ori-

ginate. 11. These considerations suggest that there are cogent rationales for revenue sharing arrangements which might take several forms that need to be explored at an expert level. In particular, the group rates the following possibillties as meriting such examination, while not precluding others from consideration:

(i) the possibility of bllateral or multilateral tax treaties in order to assign specified fractions of the migrants income tax revenues in the developed countries to the developing countries from which the migrants originate. this being a practice not unknown in current international tax procedures:

(ii) the possibility of permitting the migrants from the developing countries to earmark, on a voluntary basis, specific fractions of their income tax payments in the developed countries for the purpose of transferring them to the developing countries of their origin, such an arrangement again being arrived at through bilateral or multilateral tax treaties; this voluntary earmarking of revenues being again a practice with current precedent: and

(iii) the possibility of perm-itting the migrants from the developing countries to make voluntary, tax-deductible con-

in some developed countries, simplifying considerably the procedures for registering developing-country organisa-tions for eligibility, easing the eligibility requirements and possibly harmonising the developed country practices in regard thereto.

B. Examination of the International Labour Compensatory Facility

12. The establishment of an International Labour Compensatory Facility (ILCF), proposed recently by Crown Prince Hassan of Jordan should be explored systematically and as embodied in United Nations General Assembly resolut-ion 32/192. With membership open to all members of the United Nations, it has been proposed that each member make an annual contribution commensurate with its gains from the reverse transfer of technology.

13. Assets available at the

ILCF may be disbursed either

in the form of direct aid to countries who suffer from brain drain or in the form of soft loans. Such assistance may be extended either in th form of cash, or preferably in earmarked funds to finance training projects or the purchase of capital equipment, seen as a substitute for the brain drain. 14. This facility has been studied only in a preliminary manner in order to arrive at workable formulae to determine respective contributions and disbursements. However, the Issues involved need to be considered by an expert group at two levels:

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officials to discuss, amend

C. International resource flow accounting

and adapt the draft agreem-

15. The group underlines the highly unsatisfactory and partial nature of current international resource flow ac-counting practices which concentrate exclusively on commodlty and capital flows, and take no account of the transfer of valuable productive re-sources, in the form of skilled manpower, from developing to the developed countr-

16. The group draws attention to the fact that several possibilities exist for imputing

17. The group therefore requests the secretary-general of UNCTAD to examine in depth st an expert level the merits of alternative imputation methodologies with a view to making recommendations on a feasible set of internationally agreed and procedures to be applied.

D. Principles for regulating the reverse transfer of technology

18. The group recommends the consideration of defining a set of principles for govern-ing the flow of skilled migration from developing to developed countries, containing inter alia a set of rights and obligations.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night.

One sterling . . . 1.8823/28 One dollar 2.0280/95 2.1670/90 1.8795/8825 31.48/53 4.605/4.61S 852.00/30 221.85/222.10

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5.2850/80

5.5620/50

U.S. dollars West German marks Dutch guilders Belgian francs French francs Italian lire Japanese yen Swedish crowns Norwegian crowns Danish crowns.

LONDON MARKET REPORT

Leading equities advanced strongly on technical considerations and light investment demand while government bonds drifted lower, dealers said. At 15:00 the F.T. Index was up 8.1 at

Leading equities closed up to 15p bigher although gold shares softened with the bullion price. U.S. and Canadian shares closed mixed. Government bonds fell by up to 5/8 point in idle trading.

dealers sald. Beecham rose by 15p to 642-1/2p while Fisons, Glaxo, Metal Box and Unilever gained up to 11p. Lucas closed 4p higher at 268-1/2p ahead of interim results tomorrow.

Oils were narrowly mixed and bank shares gained up to 7p, while among firmer stores Great Universal "A" rose by 8p to 296p. Ladbroke firmed 5p to 184p while Legal and General was unchanged from overnight levels at 162p. Both companies reported increased profits for 1977. Prudential was quoted 1-1/2p higher at 162p ahead of final results, due today.

Price of gold closed in London Wednesday at \$181.40/oz.

Damas-Scene

Compiled for the Jordan Times by Pat McDonnell

Editor's note: This is the first of what will henceforth be a weekly column in the Jordan Times listing cultural events taking place in Damascus. We publish this for our readers in Syria as well as for those in Jordan who may he travelling north for a day's trip. The column will be printed once a week initially, and readers are urged to clip it and keep it for reference throughout the week. In a future column, we will list an address and telephone where items to be included in this column (for free) can be phoned in or mailed.

(Week of March 25 to April 1)

EXHIBITIONS

"Prints and Paintings of the Earth and Men," a collection of 40 figurative compositions by Syrian artist Fatch Moudarres. On view to the public daily through April 1 at the French Cultural

An exhibition of oil paintings by Zuhira Rizz. Through April at Al Sha'b Art Gallery, Open 9 a.m.-2 p.m., 5-8 p.m., Saturday through Thursday.

The Last of the Great Impressionists," 40 oil paintings on view through Friday, March 31, at the Damascus Museum of Modern Art. National Museum. Open 9 a.m.-1p.m., 4-8 p.m., Wednesday through Monday.

"Florence: Realism - Hyperealism," oils, prints, watercolours by nine artists of the Florentine Hyperealism School: Cantini, Cerrai, Fusi, Del Testa, Ghiribelli, Margonari, Nigiani, Panza and Sarrica, Umina Gallery of Modern Art. Open 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 5-8 p.m., Saturday through Thursday.

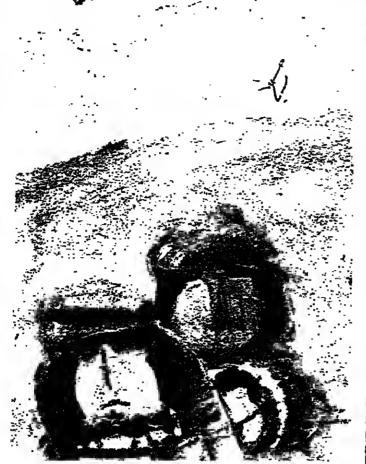
Premiere opening of the newly established Prehistoric Wing of the National Museum of Damascus. Collections represent Paleolithic-Neolithic settlements at Tell Ramad, Tell Yakud. Tell Aswad, Tell Bougras, Tell Latamne, Tell Ahu Hureyra, Tell Ghoraife. Open 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 4-8 p.m., Wednesday through Monday.

Exhibition of books hy Maxim Gorky, through Friday, March 30, Sovjet Cultural Centre,

Expressionist paintings by Syrian artist Georges Janoura, through Friday, March 31, Hotel Meridien, . . .

CONCERTS

Thursday, March 30: Classical Music Night featuring four Russian musicians now teaching in Damascus, performing Beethoven com-positions, 6, p,m., Music Salon, Soviet Gulfural Centre



"Refugees from the Golan" is the title of this representative work in an exhibition of 40 prints and paintings of Syrian landscapes and people by Fateh Moudarres on view this week at the French Cultural Centre of Damascus.

THEATRE

"A Bridegroom for the Sultan's Daughter," through April 2 at Al Hamra Theatre, Curtain time 8:30 p.m. A light-hearted drama by Egyptian playwright Mahfuz Abdulrahman, starring Tharah Dehsi as the Golden Princess. Produced by the National Theatre Group, Hussein Edelbi, director,

MOVIES

Friday, March 31: "Widows", 6 p.m., Soviet Cultural Centre Theatre.

U.S. Mideast expert visits Amman

AMMAN, March 29 (JT), -Dr. Bernard Reich, Professor of Political Science and International Affairs and Chairman of the Department of Political Science at George Washington University, arrived in Amman today on a five-day visit. Dr. Reich, a noted Middle East expert, was guest of honour at a luncheon discussion given by Mr. John Foster, Public Affa-irs Officer at the U.S. embassy and attended by media representatives and officials. Dr. Reich has just concluded an extensive round of contacts with Israeli political figures and intellectuals to acquaint bimself at first hand with the shape of the latest Israeli thinking on a peace settlement. This is his first visit to Jordan in 12 years. Dr. Reich has served as a consultant to the Department of State (1973) and has been in Egypt (1965) on a Fulbright grant and in Israel (1971-72) as a National Science Foundation Fellow. He is a me-mber of the Middle East Institute: a Fellow of the Middle East Studies Association; and a member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies. Dr. Reich is the author of "Quest for Peace: U.S.-Israel Relations and the Arah-Israeli Conflict" (1977).

Top U.K. Overseas Development official due in Jordan

AMMAN, March 29 (JT). Mr. John Tomlinson, MP, Parliamentary Uoder-Secretary at the Ministry of Overseas Deve-lopment, will be visiting Jordan April 2.5 as pan of a tour of the area. During his stay in Jordan, Mr. Tomlinson will have discussions on development matters with the president of the National Planning Council and other senior officials. Visits for Mr. Tomlinson have been arranged to the Jordan Valley and to Agaba where he will be able to see how work is progressing on the Agaha Water Project, which is being partly funded by the United Kingdom. In addition, visits are also scheduled to the phosphate mines at Al Hasa, various cooperative societies and the Polytechnic Institute in Marka,

Business Grapevine

A chance for construction experts. to export

Jordanian companies and insti-tutions which have expertise in construction in the Middle East in the fields of town, industrial and leisure planning; traditional, moduler and mstant housing alternatives; new construction techniques and materials, construction of roads and so on might consider submitting papers to the Arah Build '78 conference to he held in Bahrain from 26-30 November associated with the Arah

Build Exhibition. The British government has given Arab Build '78 its official support under the British joint venture scheme, which is specifically designed to fin-ancially assist British Exhibi-tors overseas. The British participation is sponsored by the Building Materials Export Group and it is anticipated that with over 75 companies participating in the joint venture it will be the largest ever display of British products at a building and construction industry show in the Gulf region. The Federal Republic of Ge-

rmany have also announced of-ficial support for the exhibition and eighty German companies will be exhibiting as part of a group organised by the Ministry of Economic Affairs, With the cost of outside st-

and space at \$125 per square metre and inside stand space at \$300 per square metre including organisers stand service

it is small wonder many of the firms are getting together to share expenses. It is perhaps a formula that could be pick-ed up by the Jordanian Ministry of Commerce and Industry

or the Chambers of Commerce and Industry to group together a number of Jordanian export oriented construction and construction materials companies in one national exhibition group (perhaps using one company's prefabricated housing units as the actual stand) to promote Jordan in this important export market. Anyone interested in prese-

nting papers to the conference should send an abstract of 200 words as soon as possible to Mr. Barrie Scott, of the Conference organisers Middle East Materials and Equipment magazine, at 4 Addison Bridge Place, Kensington, London W14 9BR. Exhibition stand space is bookahle from Arabian Exhib-ltion Management, P.O.Box 551, Bahrain,

Off looking for imports

Off on a world tour this week to follow up his extensive business contacts is Othman Y. El Hindi, Director of Hindam Trading and Commission Age-ncy in Amman. Mr. Hindi will be heading first to Bombay then on to the Far East, Japan and the United States before returning here in a month's ti-me with, hopefully, a lot more business to handle. By John Bonar

New route for Alia

The Director of Civil Aviation of Ras Al Khaimeh, Mr. Amin Al Qadi, has announced this week that Alia, the Royal Jordanian Alrline and Syrian Arab Airlines will start using Ras Al Khaimeh's International airport on May 1, However on April 1, Gulf Air will start three weekly regional flights a week to the most northern state of the seven member federation of the United Arah Emirates.

Arabsat contract won

The bothy contested mana-gement and services contract for Arabsat, worth between \$16 and \$21 million, has been awarded to Comsat General Corp., a subsidiary of Communications Satellite Corp. of Washing. ton D.C. A total of 16 Arab states are jointly undertaking the \$160 million project which involves launching a satellite into space by 1980 to relay telephone, telex and television communications between the

Arab states. The vice chairman of the Riyadh-based Arabsat is Mohammad Ismail, the Director of Jordan's Telecommunications Corporation.

Amman Stock Exchange Report

NAME OF COMPANY	PAR value	Volume traded	Opening price	Closing price
* Jordan - Gulf Bank	JD 1.000	385	1.050	1.050
* Jordan - Kuwait Bank	JD 1,000	269	1.550	1,600
** Dar Aldawa Development & Investment Co.	JD 1.000	2,816	1.800	1.800
Industrial, Commercial & Agricultural Co.	JD 1.000	545	2.300	2,300
Arab Pharmaceutical Co	JD 5.000	1,312	13.500	14.100
Arab Aluminium Co.	JD 1.000	517	0.900	0.950
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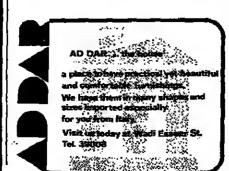


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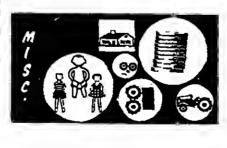


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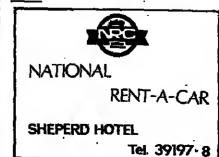
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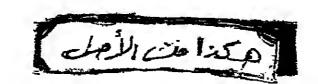




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MUON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) If you handle routine tasks early in the day you'll have time for more important dunes later. Take needed health treatments. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Handle important duties early since the aspects are more difficult later in the day. Take no chances with your reputation at this time.

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VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Take no risks of any kind, whether at home or at work. Use that smile more and avoid possible misunderstanding with others.

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SCORPIO Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Handle monetary affaira early since later your thinking may be muddled. Avoid one who is detrimental to your best interests.

SAGITTARIBS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Not a good day to attend group affairs, but if unavoidable, be careful and use caution, flapress happiness with loved one.

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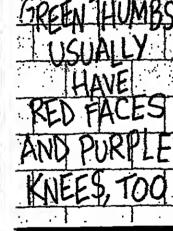
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Despite ultra-modern technology superstition is still deeply entrenched in Japanese life

By Stephen Bronte

TOKYO (FT) - They usually come out at oight. Seated behind small tables in the ghostly light of a flickering candle, Japan's palmists, soothsayers, and fortune tellers still ply their mysterious trade. For despite the fact that Jais marketing computers and orbiting satellites, superstition is still a well entrenched part of Japanese life.

In a country where natural disasters like earthquakes, fires, and floods are common occurences, superstitions are legion. Before Japan's modernisation in the late 1800s, tickness and death were often exnisioed by the presence of devila or evil spirits. Even today, omens both good and bad are carefully observed by much of the population. This is especially so in professions where luck can be a big factor as with geigha girls, sumo wrestlers, gamblers, and ent-

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Japan'a rich literary history offers a wealth of demons and devils. The most popular is the oni, a red skinned, twohorned devil whose wooden images abound in Buddhist temples around the country. A keppa, or water monster, lives in rivers or lakes, and is said to be responsible for drownings. Another is the ten-gu, an old man with a long beard who lives in trees and howls during the night. Once feared by the rural population. today these creatures only ap-

pear in children's fairy tales. Fortuna tellers and paim readers on the other hand still enloy a large following. Basing their interpretations on the I-Ching (the Book of Changes), which originated in China around 180 B.C., they prosper in evening entertainment areas. Young unmarried

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Why do new suits wind up in trashcans in Tokyo? Why is it a disaster for a woman to be born in the Year of the Fire Horse? Why, for that matter, is the whole fourth floor of a certain Tokyo hotel missing? For the vital clue, read on ...

women are the biggest customers, and questions related to love and marriage are the most commonly asked. Parents will often bring a new-born infant to a fortune teller to pick a lucky name for the child, and sometimes distraught people on the verge of suicide will turn to them for consultation. There are currently more than 2,000 fortune tellers practicing in Tokyo

Astrology

Japanese astrology, which is based on the Chinese system of naming each year after an animal, is still a powerful

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force in Japan. Men born in the Year of the Tiger (1974) should be active and aggressive, while those born in the Year of the Rabbit (1975) are meek and passive. The most frightful year for a woman to be born is the Year of the Fire Horse (hinoe-uma), which occurs only once every 60 years. Women born in that vear will be stubborn, hor te-

their busbands. The extent to which these old beliafs are present today can be seen in population statistics. The most recent fire horse year was 1966. In that vear the birth rate feli 26 per cent from 18.6 to 13.7 births

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mpered, and are likely to kill

per 1,000 inhabitants. Then in 1967 the birth rate recovered to 19.3 per 1,000.

A subsequent Health and Welfare Ministry investigation ahowed that maoy mothers had changed the birthdates of their female newborna to the year preceding or following 1966. Many others had resorted to abortions or contraceptive methods to avoid having children in the Year of the Fire Horse.

Driving evil spirits away

Another old auperstition, which sparked a 12 year legal battle is the jichinsai. During a ilchinsal ceremony, a Shinto priest will bless a building site, scaring away any evil spirits that may haunt the plenned structure. In 1965 the Tsu municipal government paid a Shinto priest £32 to do a iinchinsai on a local gymnasium site. But some local citizens protested that using government funds for these purposes violated Section 20 of the Constitution which separates church and state. The issue was fought all tha way to the main bench of the Supreme Court, which ruled in favour of the municipality, thus establishing a legal precedent in favour of the ancient

The majority of present day Japanese superstitions usually involve some play on words. If a hearse passes someone by oo the street, be must cover both thumbs, or elsa risk having both his parents die in the near future. The Japanese word for both thumb and nne's thumbs is thought to protect one's parents. There are hundreds of other lucky unlucky synonyms like this that are well known by most Japanese people.

Numerology

Numerology is another supthat is commonly practiced. The number four refers to death, as does 14, 42, and 44. Many hospitals and hotels are missing fourth floors or rooms numbered with four. Tokyo International Airport has no passenger loading areas numbered four or thirteen. The missing number

nese passengers, while the absent number thirteen is in deference to superstitlous foreign travellers from the West.

Auspicious days play an im-

calender. The tai-an are considered to be lucky days, while the butsu-metsu days (named for the day on which Buddha died) are thought to be very unlucky. There are 58 of each of these days in one year. The tai-an are good davs for weddings, inunching businesses, long lourney, or other momentous occasions. While many laugh off austricious days as inslenificant, others prefer not to take their chances. Reservations at wedding halls on tai-an days in the prime wedding seasons of the spring and autumn must be made at least six months in advance On hirtsu-metsu days the same wedding halls either offer 50 per cent discounts on fees charged or close down comp-

Cheaper near cemeteries

There are also many superstitions connected with death. Housing near cemeteries is avoided by Japanese, driving down rents in the area, Foreigners, who are unaffected by this belief, are harpy to take advantage of the lower rents. Hence, foreign residents in Jaoan can often be found living near cemeteries,

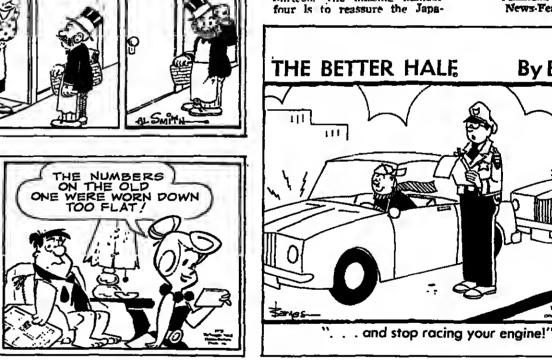
There is virtually no second-hand market in Japan because of the possibility that the previous owner of the obiect may have died. With no chance of resale perfectly good ciothing furniture, and consumer goods usually end up in the rubbish. The economic effects of this belief can be far-reaching. If consumers will only buy new products. it means that the demand level for these goods will be higher than if the superstition didn't exist.

Tha list goes on and on. In the end, an amazing amount of Japanese behaviour has an explanation based on ancient sucerstitions. Many of these bellefs are still accepted by a majority of the population. and it looks as if they are here to stav.

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Opponents of Tokyo's Saudis hire P.R. firm to Narita Airport stage promote U.S. plane sale bomb attack on hotel

NARITA, Japan, March 29 (R). - Radical opponents of Tokyo's controversial new international airport today staged a lightning raid on an airport hotel, setting it ablaze with Molotov cocktails after smashing in windows and doors with iron bars. Police said white-helmeted radicals in the pre-dawn attack hurled 20 flaming petrol bombs into the lobby of the Nikko Narita Hotel, scheduled to open on April 1.

Twenty people were staying airport although the governmat the hotel, built to accomment yesterday indefinitely postodate passengers using the new airport, and the fire was put out

by hotel employees Police said the demonstrators, who are maintaining their poned its opening, escaped in a

lorry.
The airport, 65 kms. northeast of Tokyo, was built to take the bulk of international alr violent campaign against the traffic from the older Haneda

Photo of Moro could be montage, say experts

ROME, March 29 (AP), -The picture of former Italian Premier Aldo Moro sent by Red Brigades kidnappers to a Rome newspaper could be a photo montage, Italian papers today quoted investigators as saying.

Mr Moro's photo was sent along with a handbill with the five-point Red Brigades Emblem three days after Mr. Moro was kidnapped in a Rome street ambusb March 16.

In the handbill the Red Brigades said Mr. Moro will be subjected to a "peoples trial". Italy's leading newspaper Corriere Della Sera of Milan said experts considered "it pro-

photo montage." The paper said that Mr. Moro's face could have been put over another picture With the snapshot the Red Brigades aimed to make known

bable the picture could be a

that Mr. Moro was alive. Corriere Della Sera said the photo montage version came after a careful study of the picture made by police experts.
Another Milan paper, Il Giornale Nuovo, said that in the snapshot Mr. Mnro was shown

with a white shirt while when he was kidnanoed he wore a strined white shirt. The paper said this was confirmed by Moro's family. Meanwhile a eroun of common criminals has threatened to kill members of the Red Rri-

gaoes enerrilla gang in iail do Minro is released.

By William Scoble

LOS ANGELES (FT) - To

celebrate its tenth anniversary

this year, Itel Corporation,

a California computer-leasing

firm, did its top sales-people

proud: it laid out \$20,000 to

send them on a Caribbean

cruise. And to make quite su-

re that everyone was happy,

the Itel board decreed that not only chuld the married

take along their spouses --

single employees could bring

a good friend, of either sex.

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Rome morning newspaper II

a deadline of Thursday afternoon for Mr. Moro's freedom. "If the brigades do not meet our deadline, we will tell our companions in jail to do away with a member of the brigades. The executions will be car-

Nessaggero last night, a com-

mittee of common criminals set

ers, broke through a gate and attacked police with gasoline Transport Minister Kenji Fukunaga said yesterday it would take until mid-April to repair ried out despite police escorts and the solitary cells of the the damage done to the airpo-

USSR condemnsU.S.'s neutron bomb project

What was once called "living in sin" has become part

of the American way of life. Many unmarried couples are now getting the benefits which companies used

to offer only to husbands and wives. What is more,

the couples don't even have to be of opposite sexes

LISBON, March 29 (AP). -The Soviet Union yesterday condemned the United States' neutron bomb project as dele-gates from parliaments in more than 70 countries assembled for a conference in the Portuguese capital.

Vitaly Ruben, leading the Soviet delegation at the spring meeting of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, was criticised by American representatives for introducing "a note of propa-ganda" into the discussion of nuclear disarmament,

American Sen, John J. Spark-man attacked the Soviet Union for proposing to abolish one weapon while the United Sta-tes was aiming to "finish with In a statement issued to the all nuclear arms."

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sex today; and the number of unmarried couples living to-gether is rising six times fas-

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ut 750,000 "same-sex unrelat-

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Another group, riding in trucks

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for military purposes.

Opening the meeting, Portuguese President Antonio Ramalho Eanes called for disarmament as "a necessary condition for the establishment of a new social economic order."

Delegates from Egypt, Poland and Mexico loined the call for nuclear disarmament, which headed a list of topics to be discussed during five days of talks. Others include economies of developing nations, liliteracy

ted Airlines. "Corporations are

conservative entities, but th-

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in the vanguard of change, having decreed that paternity

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Court in the case of actor Lee Marvin and his housemate, Michelle Triola. When their

six-year old relationship end-

ed, Miss Triola sued for \$1

million, arguing that she had

given up a singing career to

look after Mr. Marvin in re-

turn for his promise to pro-

The high court came down

on Miss Triola's side, and

America's unmarrieds began

to see their relationship in a

new light. Thousands have

hired lawyers to draw up "liv-

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rangements. A new book, Sex, "Living Together Contract Kit"

has sold 10,000 copies, and its

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United Airlines is in fact

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WASHINGTON, March 29 (AP). — Saudi Arabia, concerned about Israel's opposition to U.S. President Jimmy Carter's package sale of warplanes to the Middle East, is biring a public relations firm to state its case to Congress and the American people.

To handle the lobbying effort, the Saudis are paying \$65,000 to a public relations firm headed by Crawford Cook and Joh C. West, a source familiar with the arrangements said last night.

Mr. Carter has proposed selling the Saudis 60 F-15 warplanes in a oackage which would also send 50 F-5E fighter jets to Egypt and 15 F-15's and 75 F-16's to Israel.

Israel has condemned the proposed sale of sophisticated warplanes to the two as a threat to its security and Israel's supporters in Congress have mounted an effort to veto the

"They (the Saudis) thought they had sort of an arrangement with the U.S. government (to buy the lets)," said the source, who declined to be Identified. "But then the Israeli lobby got involved. "They (the Saudis) just decided that the Israeli lobby had

declared psychological war against them." The source said hiring the public relations firm marked a step-up in Saudi Arabia's attempts to influence Congress and public opinion. However, he said the Saudi efforts were still dwarfed by Israel's political lobbying in the United States.

The source said the Saudi campaign would focus on that country's support of policies favourable to the United States, specifically keeping the lid on oil prices and supporting the

U.S., Turkey begin talks on defence pact which would lift arms embargo

ANKARA, March 29 (R). — Three senior U.S. officials to-day begsn talks with Turkish government leaders on a bilateral defence pact which would effectively lift a four-year-

old U.S. arms ban on Turkey.
The team, led by U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher, arrived last night and opened talks today with Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit and other leaders.

The State Department announced in Washington yesterday that President Carter had taken a decision on the pact, still awalting congressional approval, which had to be explained to the Turkisb government, it did not elaborate, Congress imposed an arms

congress imposed an arms embargo on Turkey following the 1974 Turkish invasion of Cyprus and ratification of the defence agreement would effectively lift that ban.

The agreement is due to co-

me before the House of Representatives International Relations Committee on April 6.

The question of the agree-ment was thrown into sharp focus this month when Turkey protested at remarks by U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance which were interpreted here as linking the pact's future with progress on solving the Cyprus

become

author, Mr. Ralph Warner of

Berkeley, also peddies a \$9
"Living Together Contract Kit"

which sets out, in somewhat

flowery language, who will own what ("We will share

our love and energy, but we

reject the idea that one of us

should depend on the other for support.")

Women win most

In affluent Southern Calif-

ornia, the stakes are often hi-

gh and if matters reach the

courts it is usually the man

who stands to lose most. One couple who broke up after

ten years (and two children)

together went to court last

December in a property fight:

the woman was awarded owo-ership of their \$100,000 home

and its contents -- their ma-

jor joint possession. Another

woman, aged 48, sued the 64-

year old man she lived with

for nine years, claiming a sll-

ce of the \$1.5 million she says he earned in that time. Calif-

ornia lawyers believe her chances of winning are good.

arms top management," says one personnel chief. "The liv-

ing-together syndrome can be

most major companies, IBM, Xerox, MCA, the airlines, now

take the view, publicly at le-

cern. That's a change in it-

In one area, at least, the

unmarried couple is already

being treated on almost the

same basis as the married.

Banks in California will make

loans of various kinds to un-

wed housemates, and a lead-

ing savings and loan associa-

tion says it makes home loans

"We've made loans to two

women sharing, and to two

men. Were they gay? We con-

sider that no concern of ours."

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people living together.

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is not a corporate con-

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"That sort of publicity al-

The Carter administration said subsequently that it did not link the two issues.

Mr. Christopher, who is accompanied by State Department Counsellor Matthew Nimetz and Assistant Secretary of State George Vast, thanked the Turkish government for arranging the talks at short notice, and said "I hope there will be an opportunity for us to explore the many important relations which exist bet-

ween our two countries."

Oswald was involved in

WASHINGTON, March 29 (AP). — The House of Representatives Assassinations Committee is reported checking a former U.S. Central Intelligency Agency employee's hearsay testimony that Lee Harvey Os-wald, Prodent John F. Ken-nedy's accused murderer, was involved in a CIA project in

ing into the matter. But sources confirmed the panel is checking the allegation just as it does most tips that it gets cosassination of Kennedy in Dal-

terview that he told the committee he was a CIA finance officer in Tokyo when Kennedy was assassinated and that he had disbursed money to a pro-

feud in Namibia feared

Tribal

WINDHOEK, South West Africa (Namibia), March 29, (R). - Police, mounting a major manhunt for the killers of moderate blsck leader chief Clemens Kapuuo, fear his death could lead to renewed tribal feuding which has already left 14 dead.

Chief Kapuuo, 55, President of the Democratic Turnhalle Alliance (DTA) Party and leader of the Herero tribe, was shot on Monday outside a store he owned in Windhoek's Katatura township.

Reports reaching here said members of the Herero tribe were heading towards Windhoek from various parts of the territory.

"It is going to be difficult to keep them under control," a senior aide of Chief Kapuuo

Police have blamed the SW-APO nationalist movement for the killing but in Lusaka a spokesman for SWAPO -- the South West Africa People's Or-ganisation -- denied that the group was responsible. SWAPO draws much of its support from the Ovambo pe-

ople, and police, conducting a major manhunt for the killers, feared the chiefs death could lead to renewed violence bet-ween the Hereros and Ovam-

Fourteen people were killed in fighting, between the two

tribes earlier this month. But last night police ported the township quiet. They said roadblocks set up outside Windhoek had been dismantl-

On Feb. 7, the Health Minister of Ovambo province, Mr. Toiva Shiyagaya was shot at a DTA meeting. Police blamed that killing, too, on SW-APO, but the nationalist mo-vement denied responsibility.

Former CIA employee says agency project in Japan

Japan.
The one-time CIA worker, James B. Wilcott, said in a telephone interview Tuesday that although the information was hearssy, he is convinced it is true. Mr. Wilcott also said he personally concluded that ject involving Oswald.

the CIA planted Oswald in Russia to be a double agent. The committee refused to comment on whether it was look-

Mr. Wilcott said in the in-

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possible.

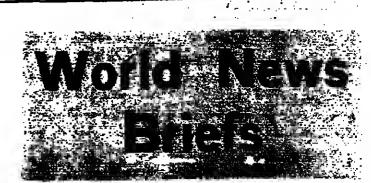
With all his points in aces and kings, we approve of South's decision to open two no trump. The point count tends to uoderrate the value of aces and kings and inflate queens and jacks, and in our opinioo, Soutb's hand is better than many 22- or 23pointers wa've seen, North checked for a 4-4 major fit, then settled in three no trump when South denied holding a four-card major.

West led the queen of diamonds, and declarer aurveyed bis prospects. He had eight tricks in high cards, and there was virtually only one suit in which be could develop bis nintb, and that was clubs. Declarer made the technically correct play of holding up the ace of diamonds, and held up again when West continued the suit. Declarer won the third diamond and decided to aettle the issue witbout

further ado. He entered dummy with the queen of hearts and ran the jack of clubs. West won the queen and took two more diamond tricks for a onetrick set.

Declarer was guilty of a major crime-inability to count to nine. His lina of play was correct if he had to take four club tricks, but with six tricks in the other three suits declarer needed only three cluh tricks for his contract, provided he could keep West off lead while the third club was being developed. Instead of taking the club

finesse, declarer should bave banged down the ace and king of clubs. As the cards lie, the queen of clubs would have dropped and declarer would have come to ten tricks. But had the queen act fallen, the contract would still be safe if East held the lady-declarer could safely afford to lose a cluh trick to East. Playing off two high clubs simply gave declarer an extra chance. He would make his contract if East held the queen of cluhs or if West held the queen guarded no more than once.



d'Estaing meets rivals to heal rift

PARIS, March 29 (AP). — President Valery Giscard d'Estalng told defeated Socialist Party leader Francois Mitterrand yester. day he hoped the leftist opposition could reach a "reasonable cohabitation" with a new French government, in an unusual postelection meeting, the French president urged Mr. Mitterrand to help prevent the divisive election campaign from turning into a lasting left-right split that could damage the nation, a presidential spokesman said. The center-right majority that has ruled France for the past 20 years won a sizeable 89-seat majority in National Assembly elections March 12 and 19. Mr. Giscard d'Estaing, who invited leftist leaders to discuss the nation's priorities before formation of a new government, is to meet with Communist Party chief George Marchais on Thursday.

Carter's public opinion rating drops

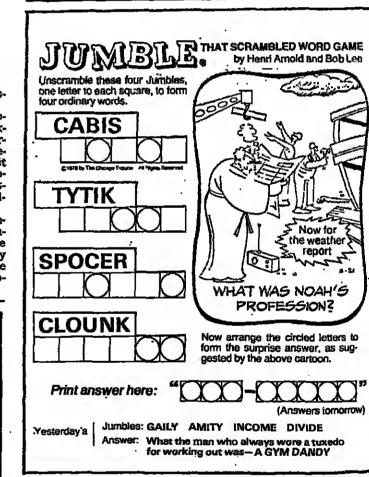
NEW YORK, March 29 (R). — Nearly two out of three Americans surveyed in a poll issued lastnight feel President Carter is not doing a good job - diametrically opposed to the view a year ago. The poll, by the American Broadcasting Company and the Louis Harris Public Opinion Survey Organisation, said only 36 per cent of the people questioned approved of Mr. Carter's performance while 62 per cent did not. In March, 1977, two months after taking office, he had a 67-21 positive rating.

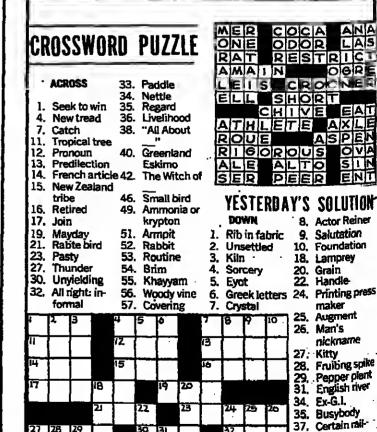
Demonstrations continue in Iran

TEHRAN, Iran, March 29 (AP). - Anti-government demonstrations continued today when three motorcyclists threw gasoline bombs at the entrance of a cinema in the city of Kashan, the official Pars News Agency reported. Firemen stopped fire from spreading. Demonstrators attacked municipal offices in the city of Isfahan yesterday, and incidents were reported in other cities.

Publisher vows no leaks of Nixon memoirs

LOS ANGELES, March 29 (AP). — Security precautions surrounding former U.S. President Richard M. Nixon's memoirs are extreme -- "A bit less than for the atomic bomb," the ex-president's publisher said yesterday. Harold Roth, President of Grossett and Dunlap which will publish the 500,000-word Nixon book May 15, said Gossett is determined to prevent early leaks of the contents, which have been sold to the New York Times for seri-alisation. "The printer has had experience dealing with confidential material -- not only with books but with corporate reports," said Mr. Roth. "It's not an armed camp but I'm assured reasonable precautions are being taken." Mr. Roth said the book, wb ich took a year to edit, will sell for \$19.95. He said about one-third of the book is devoted to the Watergate scandal which drove Nixon from office, but the author has no delusions that it will change his public image.





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